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Date of Interview: 22 October 2009.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 5-7, 16, 19 and 20.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Iqbal H. Chowdhury/
 Examiner, Art Unit 1652

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: There was an interview with the applicants representatives regarding the pending rejections under 112, 2nd, 112, 1st written description and scope of enablement and 102(b) discussed in detail how to overcome the rejections. The Examiner suggested that amendment of claim 7 by replacing "A protein" with "An isolated protein" would improve the claim from 101 rejection. The Examiner suggested to delete part(b) of claim 7 and keeping the function of the protein endoglucanase activity in part(c). Regarding 102(b) rejection, the Examiner said that a new search might be required. The Examiner acknowledges the arguments and agreed further consideration and determine the judgement after receiving the official claims with appropriate amendments and arguments.